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DECLARATION OF BERNARDO RODRIGUEZ-ITURBE, M.D.

I, Bernardo Rodriguez M.D., hereby declare and say as follows:

THAT, I am Professor of Medicine at Zulia University in Maracaibo, Venezuela, and President-Elect for the International Society of Nephrology. I am a world expert in the field of high blood pressure and nephrology (see my curriculum vitae attached) and have special expertise in animal models of hypertension. I am well versed with the work of Dr Johnson as I have collaborated with him on a variety of projects.

THAT, I am aware of the level of skill of one ordinarily skilled in the art of cardiovascular disease and kidney disease, and in particular, mechanisms of hypertension, hereto; AND being thus duly qualified declare as follows:

1. Much of my research has focused on animal models of hypertension, including studies in the SHR rat<sup>1-4</sup>. This is a hereditary model of hypertension that we and others have shown is mediated by oxidative stress. While I am aware that xanthine oxidase inhibitors have been reported to lower blood pressure transiently in this model<sup>5</sup> (also the Maeda Patent U.S. Patent 5,747,495), none of those studies suggested that this was due to uric acid, but rather asserted that this was due to oxidative stress. In fact, uric acid is considered an antioxidant and in some recent pilot studies we can show that it can lower blood pressure in these animals. Furthermore, most of the studies documenting oxidative stress in models of hypertension have focused on the role of NADPH oxidase, either produced by vascular cells<sup>6,7</sup> or by the inflammatory cells themselves<sup>1-4</sup>.

2. Dr Johnson was the first, as far as I am aware, to propose uric acid as a cause of hypertension, and the first to provide experimental evidence<sup>8</sup>. Specifically, he was also the first to suggest targeting uric acid levels with xanthine oxidase (x.o.) inhibitors as a means for improving blood pressure. While x.o. inhibitors could have some effects on blood pressure via their antioxidant effects, the observation that they failed to lower BP in longterm studies in the SHR<sup>9-11</sup> taught away those skilled in the art from using them in patients with hypertension. Furthermore, as mentioned above, I believe that most of the oxidative stress in hypertension is due to a different system (NADPH oxidase) that is not inhibited by xanthine oxidase inhibitors.

3. I therefore conclude that the concept of lowering uric acid as a means to control blood pressure was a novel idea for which Dr Johnson brought forth the first direct experimental<sup>8</sup> as well as human<sup>12</sup> evidence. Studies in the SHR rat did not provide a reasonable expectation to those skilled in the art of successfully treating hypertension via administration of x.o. inhibitor, much less did they teach or suggest to those skilled in the art to use x.o. inhibitors as a means to lower blood pressure by reducing uric acid levels.

4. The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information in belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements in the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of title 18 of the U.S.C. and that such willful false statements made jeopardize the validity of the application or of any patent issuing thereon.

Further declarant sayeth naught.



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Date

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**Academic Degrees**

M.D.	Facultad de Medicina, Universidad del Zulia, Maracaibo, Venezuela	1961
Master Medical Sciences	University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Medicine, Philadelphia, Pa.	1967
Doctor Ciencias Médicas	Facultad de Medicina, Universidad del Zulia Maracaibo, Venezuela	1970

<b><u>Past Academic Appointments</u></b>	<b><u>INSTITUTION</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>
Coordinador-Director Postgraduate Studies Office Postgrado	Universidad del Zulia, Facultad de Medicina	1975-1978
School of Medicine Council Member	Universidad del Zulia, Escuela de Medicina	1974-1976 1978-1980
Faculty Council Member	Universidad del Zulia, Facultad de Medicina	1976-1979
Director	Instituto de Investigaciones, Biomédicas (INBIOMED)	1983-
Chief of Medical Clinic	Universidad del Zulia, Facultad de Medicina	1985-1987
Chairman of Department Medicine	Universidad del Zulia, Facultad de Medicina	1978-1980 1988-1989

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Medical Director	Intensive Care Unit Hospital Universitario de Maracaibo	1968-1971
Director	Equipo de Trasplantes Renales Hospital Universitario de Maracaibo	1968-
Medical Director	Hospital Universitario de Maracaibo	1981-1983
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<b><u>Other Institutions</u></b>	<b><u>INSTITUTION</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>
Consultor	Organización Mundial de la Salud	Feb. 1972
Member Scientific Committee	Zulia Medical College	1969-1971
	Universidad del Zulia	1976-1979

Council Member	Consejo Nacional de Diálisis y Trasplante	1977-
Member, Committee for Clinical Medical Sciences . (Chairman)	Consejo Nacional Invest. Científicas y Tecnológicas (CONICIT)	1973-1978 1976-1978
Chairman, Task Force	Presidential Task force for the Evaluation and Promotion of Science and Technology in Zulia region	1979
Council member, Postgraduate Studies	Consejo Nacional Invest. Científicas y Tecnológicas (CONICIT)	1983-1984
Council member,	Sistema de Promoción del Investigador (PPI)	1992-1996
Member	Academia de Ciencias de América Latina (ACAL)	1993-
Presidente FUNDASALUD	Gobernación, Estado Zulia	1994-1998
Delegado Principal CONICIT	Consejo Nacional de Universidades	1994-
Councilman	International Society of Nephrology	1995-2001
Member, Commission for the Global Advancement of Nephrology (COMGAN)	International Society of Nephrology Chariman, Latin American Subcommitte	1995-2005
President	Panamerican Society of Dialysis and Transplantation	1995-1997
Co-Director	Comité de Curriculum y Conocimientos Básicos de Nefrología, Sociedad Latinoamericana de Nefrología e Hipertensión	1996-1999
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Member, Prize and Awards Comission Latinamerican Society of Nephrology and Hypertension (SLANH)		2003
Member Fellowship Comité, Internacional Society of Nephrology		2004-2005

### **Awards during Medical School**

Award for the highest academic score In Medical Studies	Escuela de Medicina Universidad del Zulia	1957-1958 1958-1959
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Joaquín Esteve Parra Awards	Facultad de Medicina Universidad del Zulia	1959
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Graduation SUMMA CUM LAUDE	Facultad de Medicina, Universidad del Zulia,	1961
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### **Postgraduate Scholarships**

Short-Term Scholarship	American College of Physicians	1973
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### **Awards and Professional Recognitions**

Prize CONICIT to the best Research paper	Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Ciencia de la Salud Tecnología (CONICIT)	1977
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Order Jesús Enrique Lossada	Universidad del Zulia	1986
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Prize Scientific Merit	FUNDACITE-ZULIA	1986
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Order Andrés Bello, For contributions to Science	República de Venezuela	1990
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Research Award Francisco Eugenio Bustamante	Universidad del Zulia	1993
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Prize for Clinical Investigation	Sociedad Venezolana de Nefrología	1993
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Laureate Award	American College of Physicians	1995
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PREMIO NACIONAL DE CIENCIA	Venezuela (CONICIT)	1998
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PREMIO "LORENZO MENDOZA FLEURY"	Fundación Polar (Venezuela)	1999
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PREMIO "VÍCTOR RAÚL MIATELLO" Sociedad Latinoamericana de Nefrología		1999
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INTERNATIONAL MEDAL,	National Kidney Foundation	2004
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Luis Hernando International Prize in Nephrology	Fundación Iñigo Alvarez de Toledo	2007
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### **Other Recognitions**

Investigador Nivel IV Sistema de Promoción al Investigador (PPI)	1990
Doctorado Honoris Causa Universidad del Zulia	2001
International Fellow of The Council for High Blood Pressure Research	2002
Profesor Honoris Causa, Sociedad Mexicana de Hipertension Arterial	2006
Miembro de Honor, Sociedad Española de Nefrología	2006
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### **Editorial Board of Scientific Journals**

Asesor Científico	INVESTIGACION CLINICA Maracaibo, Venezuela	1973-1982
Comité Editorial	REVISTA DE LA ACADEMIA DE MEDICINA, Maracaibo, Venezuela	1988-
Editorial Board	CLINICAL NEPHROLOGY München, Diesenhofen, FRG	1975-1995
Comité Editorial	CIENCIA, Facultad Experimental de Ciencias Maracaibo, Venezuela	1993-
Comité Editorial	NEFROLOGIA LATINOAMERICANA (Soc. Latinoamericana de Nefrologia)	1993-
Editor	KIDNEY INTERNATIONAL SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE	2005-
Editorial Board	AMERICAN JOURNAL OF KIDNEY DISEASES	2004- 2006
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<b><u>Medical and Postgraduate studies</u></b>	<b><u>INSTITUCION</u></b>	<b><u>FECHA</u></b>
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Fellowship, Nefrologia	Graduate Hospital and University of Pennsylvania, Medical Center, Philadelphia, PA.	1964-1966

#### **Medical Societies**

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#### **Invited Conferences, Plenary lectures, Visiting Professorships**

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## PUBLICATIONS IN SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS

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